

109 Harbor Way

Historic Significance Report, 2016

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**Designation Status:** Designated City Landmark

**Assessor Parcel Number:** 045-250-004

**Historic Name:** Naval Reserve Building

**Constructed:** 1940

**Property Description:**

Also known as 111, 113, & 117 Harbor Way.

The two-story, hipped roof structure flanked by two single story flat roofed additions. The hipped roof is made of red, terra-cotta tiles. The concrete block building has an off white stucco coating. The building is designed in the Italian Mediterranean Style with symmetrical façade and casement windows.

**Architect:** Soule and Murphy

**Architectural Style:** Mediterranean

**Property Type:** Military

**Original Use:** Armory

**Significance:** This is a City of Santa Barbara Landmark designated in 1995.

Construction began in 1940 and was finished in early 1942. The architects were Winsor Soule, FAIA and John F. Murphy, FAIA of Santa Barbara. L.J. Seckels was the Works Progress Administration engineer for the United States government.

During World War II the Armory served a vital function training personnel to operate and maintain patrol boats and in protecting the coastal waters of the United States. The Armory is a significant example of the work of the Works Progress Administration in Santa Barbara.

The building was found eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.